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In re Application of: MICHAEL THORBURN ET AL:

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For: SATELLITE COMMUNICATION SYSTEM WITH GATEWAY SWITCH NETWORKS

Examiner: Randy Peaches

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This amendment is in response to the Advisory Action dated October 22, 2004. The rejections as they pertain to the patentability of the claims are hereby respectfully traversed. Please amend the above application as follows.